

A U S T I N C I T Y C O U N C I L

# AGENDA



Thursday, January 25, 2007

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**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No 23**

**Subject** Authorize negotiation and execution of a 24-month Interlocal Agreement with the AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY MHMR, Austin, TX, for mental health counseling and other related services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$2,014,229, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$1,052,658 for the first extension option, \$1,084,238 for the second extension option, and \$1,116,765 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$5,267,890

**Amount and Source of Funding** Funding in the amount of \$671,410 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Approved Operating Budget of the Community Care Services Department. Funding for the remaining 16 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup  
Material**

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No Attachments Available

**For More Information** Barbara McConnell, BuyerI/972-4009

**MBE/WBE** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). This contract is an interlocal agreement, therefore, it is exempted under Chapter 252.022 of the Texas Local Government Code and no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract will provide counseling for mental health and substance abuse clients that are seen at the Community Care Services Department's (CCSD) health clinics. CCSD was awarded a Public Health Service Section 330(e) New Start grant from the United States Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in September 2001. By accepting this grant, CCSD is required to provide mental health and substance abuse counseling. This grant enabled CCSD to provide one Social Work Supervisor and two Behavioral Health Counselors at two clinics. Since the interlocal agreement was executed, the level of services provided has gradually increased. CCSD has been able to add to their staff four counselors as well as a part time psychiatrist, therefore, counseling services are now available at nine CCSD clinics. The current interlocal agreement expires January 31, 2007. This action will allow CCSD to negotiate and execute a new interlocal agreement. Under the new agreement, CCSD plans to add six more counselors and increase the psychiatrist to full time. These added positions will allow CCSD to widen the availability of counseling services to cover all of its existing 15 clinic sites.

This agreement is entered into under the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code.

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